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Injured Riverside Police Officer

Riverside, California – The Riverside Police Department has released the identity of the surviving police officer who had been ambushed on Thursday, February 7, 2013. The ambush took the life of his partner, Officer Michael Crain.

The injured officer is Andrew Tachias. Andrew was born in 1985 in West Covina. He attended the University of California, Riverside where he earned his Bachelor of Arts Degree. While at UCR, he served as a Community Service Officer.

In September 2009, Andrew was hired by the Inglewood Police Department and later attended the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Academy as a Police Officer Trainee. Andrew graduated from the Academy in February 2010 and was assigned to patrol. He lateralled to the Riverside Police Department and was sworn in as a police officer on December 21, 2012. He is assigned to Field Operations, Patrol Division for Field Training.

Officer Tachias is in stable condition at a local hospital recovering from his injuries.

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